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**REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO CONTINUE
ITS CONTRACT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA TO OPERATE LOS
ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY.**

**WHEREAS, for sixty years, the university of California has
been synonymous with Los Alamos national laboratory as the
university has managed the prestigious scientific center under
a contract with the United States department of energy; and**

**WHEREAS, recent laboratory business and management
practices have been problematic, and the university's hands-off
management approach provided no real oversight and delegated
too much authority to laboratory directors; and**

**WHEREAS, the university of California has more recently
shown that it is improving its management of the laboratory,
and a change in management at this time could hurt national**

1 security and research and, in some cases, decimate scientific
2 programs;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
4 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the United States department of energy
5 be requested to continue its contract with the university of
6 California to operate Los Alamos national laboratory; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
8 transmitted to the United States secretary of energy, the
9 president pro tempore of the senate of the state of California
10 and the director of Los Alamos national laboratory.

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